

9 September 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Saunders

SUBJECT : Project

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1. I am extremely anxious to get the attached report on Project  to the Director for his decision. However, I want to make sure that I am fully aware of the role played by the Finance Division in this case.

2. I would like a report as to exactly what the Finance Division did, formally or informally, to obtain these accountings, when they realized that normal accountings were not going to be rendered (it appears from the attached cables that the operating people knew this as early as September, 1951), why the Finance Division did not bring this matter to your attention or to mine as soon as this was known, who (if the responsibility can be fixed on individuals) is responsible for not bringing this matter to our attention, and what you recommend we do about it.

3. At this point I see no alternative but to recommend to the Director that he write off the advances for which no accountings have been rendered. However, I want to make sure that I know our side of the story and I also want to make sure that I know now of any other accounts which are outstanding for unreasonable periods of time.

4. Would you please supply this information to me not later than 11 September.

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L. K. White

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